

DESIGNER SELECTION BOARD

MINUTES OF THE 1016TH MEETING, WEDNESDAY MAY 26, 2021 AT 8:30 a.m., VIA ZOOM.

1. ROLL CALL:

The Designer Selection Board Meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alan Ricks, AIA, Chair	Registered Architect
Elise F. Woodward, AIA, Vice-Chair	Registered Architect
Martha Blakey Smith, AIA	Registered Architect
Jessica Tsymbal, AIA, LEED AP	Registered Architect
Daniel M. Carson, P.E.	Registered Engineer
David A. Chappell, P.E.	Registered Engineer
Ilyas Bhatti, P.E.	Registered Engineer
Rebecca Sherer, P.E.	Registered Engineer
Kenneth Wexler	General Contractor
Janice Bergeron	Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Present for the DSB staff, Bill Perkins, Executive Director, Claire G. Hester, Program Coordinator III and Roberto Melendez, Program Coordinator I.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

A motion to approve the minutes of the 1015th May 12, 2021 meeting was made by Elise Woodward, seconded by David Chappell. Motion was approved.

3. VISITORS:

William Pevear	William Pevear Architects
Alexandra Dorn	William Pevear Architects
Dennis Swinford	U/Mass Boston
Michael Kearns	U/Mass Boston
Carl Erickson	U/Mass Boston
Shaun Curry	U/Mass Boston
Katherine Faulkner	Westfaulkner
Elayne Campos	DCAMM
Antonio Leite	DCAMM
Mark Galvin	CDM Smith
Sela Bailey	BIA Studio
Chris Iwerks	BIA Studio
Mary Martin	Dyer Brown
Chris Nordberg	STV, Inc.
Diane Milliken Schless	Thornton Tomasetti
Miles McDonald	BVH
Catherine Hunt	Ellenzweig
Hannah Cane	Overunder
Jennifer Shelby	ARC Engineers
Keith Campbell	Next Phase Studio
Alisa Kahn	Studio MLA
Lateffa Curry	SLAM Collaborative
Mark Pasnik	Overunder
Nicole Owens	Amenta Emma
Ashley Horan	TSKP
Kim Sousa	I Make Your Marketing
Emily Hartmann	Gensler
Karen Reichenbacher	STV, Inc.
Kristina Kashanek	Jones Architects
Melissa Kuronen	Ellenzweig
Jessica Bell	FMA
Robert Hicks	Stantec
Tori Ellis	NV5
Natalia Gilio	Stantec
Robin Greenleaf	ARC Engineers
Marcus Springer	Overunder

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Informational Interview

Bill Pevear and Alex Dorn, both from William Pevear Architects, met with the Board to discuss their firms' experience and the Designer Selection Board process.

B. DSB List #21-09, UMB-21-HD-1, Study & Design of Architectural Repairs, Renovations and Upgrades, 100 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, Fee: \$1,000,000 House Doctor – 4 contracts, 16 Applicants

Representing U/Mass Boston were Shaun Curry, Michael Kearns, Carl Erickson and Dennis Swinford to explain the project and answer questions from the Board.

Review of the sixteen (16) applications resulted in determination that one (1) of the applicants had failed to meet the following requirements and could not be considered for this project:

NBBJ did not include Section #4 for all subconsultants requested in the advertisement. On a motion to disqualify NBBJ by Rebecca Sherer, seconded by Jessica Tsymbal. Motion was approved to disqualify NBBJ. Daniel Carson and Ken Wexler objected to this motion. David Chappell and Ilyas Bhatti abstained.

The following fifteen (15) applications reviewed by the Board were responsive to the criteria in the advertisement for this project.

Below is a brief summary of discussion:

The S/L/A/M Collaborative, Inc. – They have prior house doctor experience with U/Mass Boston. The Prime and subconsultants have strong higher educational experience. They provided good references and Section #5 was good.

STV, Inc. – They provided good references and resumes had strong relevant experience for this house doctor project.

Stantec Architecture & Engineering, P.C. – They are using in-house people and the PIC and PM have the relevant experience for this house doctor project.

Overunder – This was a good application with relevant experience.

Michael Lindstrom Associates Architects (Studio MLA Architects) – They provided a strong diversity statement and did an excellent job on Section #5. They have limited higher education experience but their subconsultants do have the relevant experience.

Margulies Perruzzi Architects, Inc. – They are a well-qualified mid-size firm and provided a good proposal.

Linea 5, Inc. – They submitted excellent references and provided a diverse team with a strong diversity statement. This was a good application.

Jones Architecture, Inc. – This was an excellent proposal. Their resumes included the experience of the in-house laboratory and athletics.

ICON Architecture – They provided good references. This was a very well organized and strong proposal.

Gensler – There was no athletic planning resume submitted. They have prior experience with U/Mass Boston. Jessica Tsymbal made a motion to remove this application from being considered for missing athletic planning resume and seconded by Rebecca Sherer. Elise Woodward and Ken Wexler voted not to remove from consideration. Ilyas Bhatti, David Chappell and Janice Bergeron abstained from this vote. This motion was not approved, and Gensler has been determined to be considered for this project.

Fennick McCredie Architecture – This was a strong application with relevant experience. Section #5 was good. They do have prior experience with U/Mass Boston.

Ellenzweig – They provided a very strong proposal with relevant experience for this house doctor. Section #5 was good and tied in the experience and examples to the people in the proposal.

Dyer Brown & Associates, Inc. – They had a strong diversity statement and are well qualified to participate in this type of house doctor project.

Cannon Design – They have experience working at the U/Mass Boston campus.

Amenta Emma Architects – This application would be stronger with specific accomplishments described in Section #5.

C. Public Comments

No public comment

D. Project Voting and Ranking

The following firms displayed considerable skills and similar experiences for this “house doctor” project. In accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 7C, Section 49 the Board voted to select the following four (4) unranked firms:

Ellenzweig
ICON Architecture
Jones Architecture, Inc.
Overunder

Motion was made by Janice Bergeron to select the four unranked finalists mentioned above for the U/Mass Boston Architectural “House Doctor” project, seconded by David Chappell. Motion was approved.

The immediate services authorized are certifiable building study, schematic plans and outline specifications, design development plans and specifications, construction plans and specifications and administration of construction contract.

The Maximum Fee per Contract, based on the scope of work and services authorized, shall not exceed \$1,000,000.

E. Farewell to Jessica Tsymbol

The Board thanked Jessica for serving as an architectural member to the DSB for over 3 years. Jessica was presented with a citation from the Governor which will be sent to her home and a donation from individual board members was made to the Cancer Research Institute charity in memory of her son Noah. A photo book from DCAMM will be sent to Jessica with quotes from the Board.

F. Board Business

None

5. MOTION TO ADJOURN: The Board adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

On a motion to adjourn the meeting of May 26, 2021 by Jessica Tsymbol, seconded by Janice Bergeron. Motion was approved.

6. NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. via ZOOM

Submitted by: Claire G. Hester

Approved by: A. Ricker